

## **REMARKS**

### **The Examiner's Objections to the Drawings.**

The Examiner has objected to the drawings, but by amending the page 5 of the description, applicant has eliminated the need to amend the drawings.

Page 5 of the specification has been amended to insert the numeral 42 after guide track at line 11, and has been amended to insert the numeral 82 on line 27 and the numeral 64 on line 28. It is believed that these eliminate the ambiguities referred to by the Examiner and that there is no need to amend the drawings.

### **The Examiner's Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112.**

The Examiner has made a rejection to claim 1, line 5 claiming that "the supporting surface" lacks antecedent basis. Applicant has amended claim 1 to eliminate the supporting surface and instead to use the term "support surface" which does have antecedent support.

In claim 8, the Examiner objected to the use of the word "tracks" in line 1. Applicant has substituted the word "guides" and this is believed to meet the Examiner's requirement.

The Examiner has objected to claim 9, line 17 because "the lower barrier end" lacks antecedent basis. Applicant has amended the claim to require that the term "flexible safety barrier" be used, and this is believed to eliminate the Examiner's objection.

The Examiner indicated that claims 1-9 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. It is believed that applicant has done this and therefore applicant respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowance be issued.

## Conclusion

No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael G. Voorhees". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'M' and 'V'.

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